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CHIEFLY IN REFERENCE TO THE MATERIAL USED IN THE NEW CITY HALL.

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PRESS OF HENRY B. ASHMEAD, 1102 and 1104 Sansom Street.

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August 21, 1882.

Test, . . . COMPRESSION.

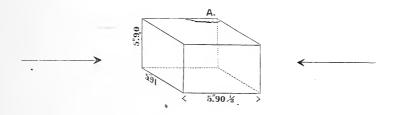
MATERIAL, . . . BUILDING MATERIAL.

FOR WHOM TESTED, . CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

FROM LEE, MASS.

No. 2550.

Marble Block L., No. 1, Blue. On end.



".010 brass packing used.

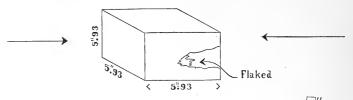
LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER [_''	Remarks.
544,000		Crack at A appeared high side of specimen.
715,000	20,504	Ultimate strength.

Burst into fragments suddenly.

FROM LEE, MASS.

No. 2551.

MARBLE L., No. 2, WHITE. On bed.



LOADS APPLIED. LBS. REMARKS.

No cracks in sight at 730,000 lbs.

Specimen now covered with canvas.

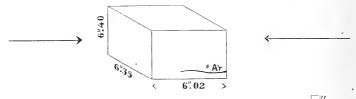
Sustained this load, then removed from the machine.

Effect of loading, slight flaking of one face of block.

FROM MONTGOMERY CO., PA.

No. 2552.

MARBLE P., 1, BLUE. On bed.



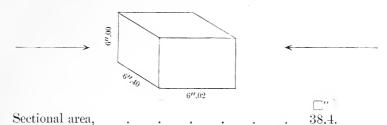
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LOADS APPLIED.	$_{\text{PER }}^{\text{LBS.}}$	Remarks.
400,000		Crack Λ appeared.
466,300	11,470	Ultimate strength.

Failed immediately after first signs of rapid yielding.

FROM MONTGOMERY CO., PA.

No. 2554.

Marble P., 2, Blue. On end.



About ".010 packing under one corner.

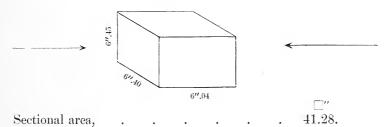
LOADS APPLIED,	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
400,000	10,420	Ultimate strength.

No signs of failure till block burst.

FROM HUMMELSTOWN, PA.

No. 2555.

SANDSTONE, No. 3. On bed.



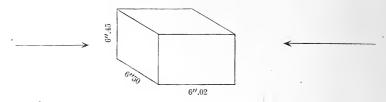
One face flat, one convex; took about ".008 packing.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER'''	Remarks.
510,000		Rapid yielding.
528,700	12,810	Ultimate strength.

FROM HUMMELSTOWN, PA.

No. 2556.

Sandstone, No. 1. On end.



Sectional area, 41.92.

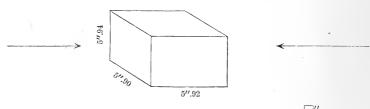
About ".01 packing under three corners.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
543,000		Cracking sounds.
570,300	13,610	Ultimate strength.

FROM CONSHOHOCKEN, PA.

No. 2557.

LIMESTONE C., No. 1. On end.



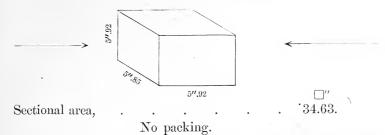
LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER''	REMARKS.
494,000	14,090	Ultimate strength.

Failed immediately after first signs of weakness. Block split up along stratification.

FROM CONSHOHOCKEN, PA.

No. 2558. Limestone C.,

LIMESTONE C., No. 2. On bed.

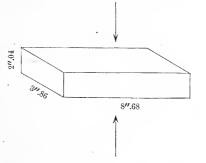


LOADS APPLIED. PER \square " REMARKS. 566,000 16,340 Ultimate strength.

Failed immediately after first signs of weakness.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

No. 2559. Dobbins, Hard Brick. Machine.



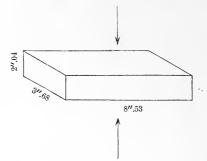
LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER ''	Remarks.
30,000	•	Crumbling along upper edge; load not evenly distributed.
288,500	8,610	Ultimate strength.

33.50.

Failure gradually took place. Fractures beginning at high side and extending over whole brick.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

EXCELSIOR HARD BRICK. Machine. No. 2560.



Sectional area, ".008 packing used behind one edge.

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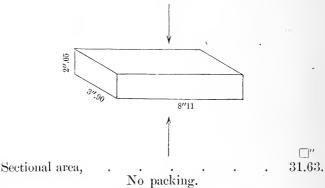
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LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER''	Remarks.
157,000 261,000	8,310	Cracks in sight at end of brick. Ultimate strength.

Failed by breaking up. Fractures commenced at end of brick.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

No. 2561. J. R. Huhn, Hard Brick. Hand-made.



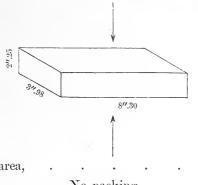
LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER [_''	Remarks.
228,000		Decided yielding; cracking sounds.
591,000	18,690	Ultimate strength.

Failed suddenly at the very end of test. Gradual yielding had been going on since first cracks appeared at about 230,000 lbs.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

No. 2562.

Dotterer, Pressed Brick. Machine.



Sectional area,

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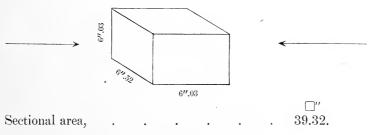
No packing.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
158,000		Flaking at top of brick.
256,500	7,770	Ultimate strength.

FROM OHIO.

No. 2563.

SANDSTONE, BUFF, O., A. 2. On bed.

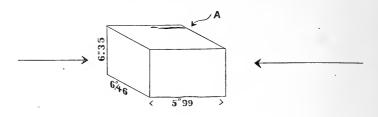


Good	bearings.
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LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER ''	REMARKS.
253,000		First crack appeared.
256,000	6,510	Ultimate strength.

No. 2564.

SANDSTONE, BUFF, O., A. 3. On end.



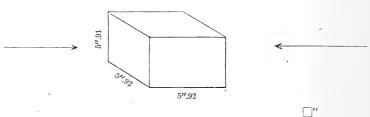
".005 packing along one edge.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	REMARKS.
145,000		First crack on side A.
199,500	4,860	Ultimate strength.

FROM LEE, MASS.

No. 2565.

MARBLE L., No. 3, MIXED WHITE AND BLUE. On end.

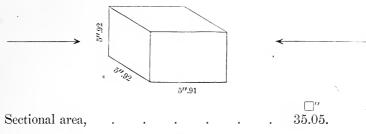


LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER	Remarks.
800,000	22,860	Sustained maximum load of testing ma-
		chine without apparent injury.

FROM LEE, MASS.

No. 2566.

MARBLE L., No. 4, WHITE. On end.



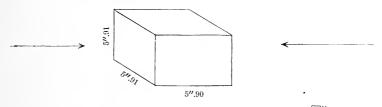
Good bearings.

LOADS - APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
800,000	22,820	Sustained maximum load of testing machine without perceptible injury.

FROM LEE, MASS.

No. 2567.

MARBLE L., No. 5, Blue. On bed.



Two corners did not come to full bearing. Not packed.

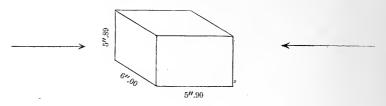
LOADS APPLIED.	LBS.	Remarks.
800,000	22,900	Sustained maximum load of testing machine.

Flaked off along one edge.

FROM LEE, MASS.

No. 2568.

MARBLE L., No. 6, MIXED WHITE AND BLUE. On bed,

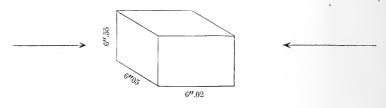


LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
610,000 767,000	21,700	Cracks first appear. Ultimate strength. Crushed suddenly with report.

FROM MONTGOMERY CO., PA.

No. 2569.

MARBLE P., 3, BLUE. On bed.



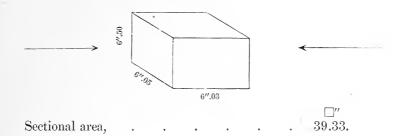
".006 packing under one corner.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	· Remarks.
543,000	13,700	Ultimate strength.

FROM MONTGOMERY CO., PA.

No. 2570.

MARBLE P., 4, BLUE. On end.



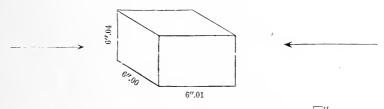
Ends take good bearings.

LOADS APPLIED,	LBS. PER ''	Remarks.
398,000	10,120	Ultimate strength.

FROM MONTGOMERY CO., PA.

No. 2571.

MARBLE P., 5, BLUE. On end.



About ".01 packing used behind ends.

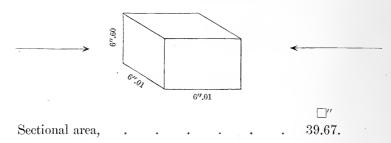
LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER [_''	Remarks.
347,500	9,590	Ultimate strength.

Probable reduction in strength from uneven bearing.

FROM MONTGOMERY CO., PA.

No. 2572.

MARBLE P., 6, BLUE. On bed.



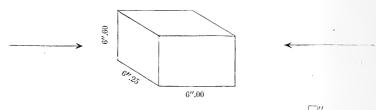
Good bearings.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	REMARKS.
434,000	10,940	Ultimate strength.

No. 2573.

FROM OHIO.

SANDSTONE, BUFF, O., A. 1. On bed.

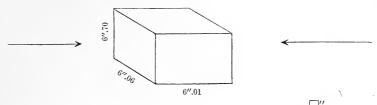


One end convex, about ".01 $\frac{1}{2}$; no packing used.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
252,000		Specimen began to crack.
289,500	7,020	Ultimate strength.

No. 2574.

SANDSTONE, BUFF, O., A. 4. On end.



Sectional area, 40.6.

Uneven bearings. Load received on one corner. Maximum opening about ."02. No packing.

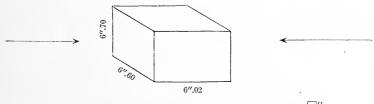
LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
90,000	3,940	Crack opposite high corner. Ultimate strength.

Specimen broke in detail, owing to imperfect bearings concentrating load on one corner.

FROM INDIANA.

No. 2575.

LIMESTONE I., 1. On end.

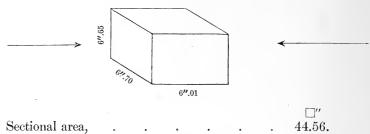


LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER [_''	Remarks.
377,000	8,530	Ultimate strength.

FROM INDIANA.

No. 2576.

LIMESTONE I., 2. On end.



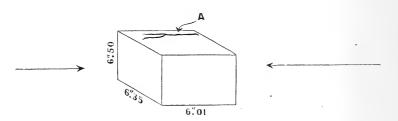
Sectional area, Good bearings.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
320,500	7,190	Ultimate strength.

FROM INDIANA.

No. 2577.

LIMESTONE I., 3. On bed.



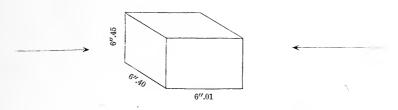
Sectional area, 41.28. Good bearings.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
295,000		Cracks appeared at A.
321,000	7,776	Ultimate strength.

FROM INDIANA.

No. 2578.

LIMESTONE I., 4. On bed.



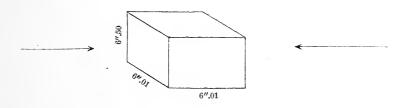
Very good bearings.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	REMARKS.
438,300	10,620	Ultimate strength.

FROM VERMONT.

No. 2579.

DOVE-COLORED MARBLE D., 1. On bed.



Sectional area, 39.65.

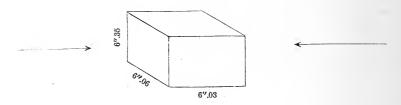
Good bearings.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER [_''	REMARKS.	
531,200	13,400	Ultimate strength.	

FROM VERMONT.

No. 2580.

DOVE-COLORED MARBLE D., 2. On end.

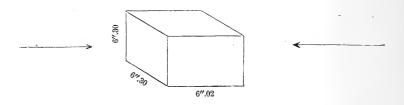


LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER ["	Remarks.	-
379,800	9,870	Ultimate strength.	

FROM OHIO.

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SANDSTONE, BLUE, O., 1. On end.

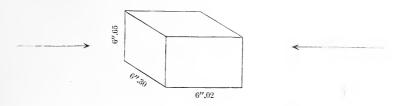


Fair bearings.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.	
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305,000	7,680	Ultimate strength.	

No. 2582.

SANDSTONE, BLUE, O., 2. On bed.



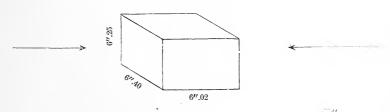
".005 packing behind one corner.

LOADS APPLIED,	LBS. PER "'	Remarks.	
435,400	10,400	Ultimate strength.	
	Fractured	suddenly with land report	

FROM OHIO.

No. 2583.

SANDSTONE, BLUE, O., 3. On end.

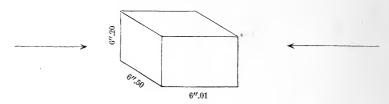


".004 packing at two corners. Surface generally came to good bearing.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER ''	REMARKS.	
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391,800	9,795	Ultimate strength.	

No. 2584.

SANDSTONE, BLUE, O., 4. On bed.



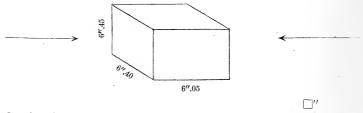
Imperfect bearing. ".007 packing used behind one edge.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER ''	Remarks.
297,000		Small piece flaked off side.
351,000	8,710	Ultimate strength.

FROM OHIO.

No. 2585.

SANDSTONE, BLUE, No. 2. On end.

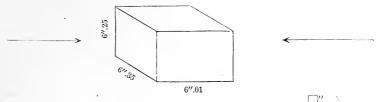


LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
620,000		Snapping sounds.
672,100	16,280	Ultimate strength.

Fractured suddenly with loud report.

No. 2586.

Sandstone, Blue, No. 4. On bed.

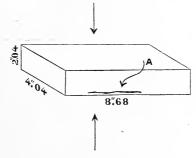


LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER ''	Remarks.
456,000		Cracks appear and stone flaked off at one corner.
493,500	12,420	Ultimate strength.

No. 2587.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Dobbins, Hard Brick. Machine.



Sectional area,

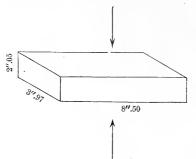
LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
162,000		First cracks appear at A.
411,000	11,720	Ultimate strength.

Cracks were gradually developed after 162,000 lbs. load was passed, rapidly failing near the close of the test.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

No. 2588. Dobbins, Hard Brick. Machine.

One corner broken off before test.



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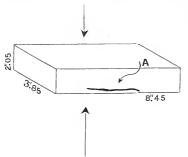
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LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []''	Remarks.		
120,000 290,000 304.000	9.210	Crack started at corner. Rapid yielding. Ultimate strength.		

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

No. 2589. EXCELSIOR HARD BRICK. Machine.

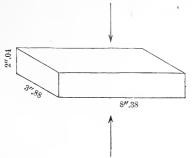


LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
98,000		Cracked at A.
180,200	5,540	Ultimate strength.

No. 2590.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

EXCELSIOR HARD BRICK. Machine.



Sectional area,

32.51.

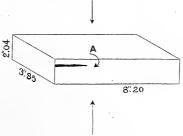
Good bearings.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER'''	, Remarks.
130,000		Crack started near corner.
188,100	5,790	Ultimate strength.

No. 2591.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

J. R. HUHN, HARD BRICK. Hand-made.

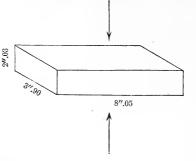


LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER'''	Remarks.
95,000		Crack at A opened.
346,400	10,970	Ultimate strength.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

No. 2592.

J. R. HUHN, HARD BRICK. Hand-made.



Sectional area,

Good bearings.

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31.4.

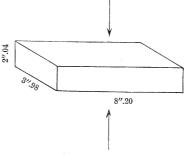
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LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	, Remarks.
350,000 654,000	20,830	Brick cracked at end. Ultimate strength.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

No. 2593.

J. R. HUHN, HARD BRICK. Hand-made.



Sectional area,

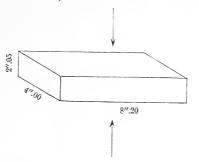
Good bearings. . . . 32.64.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.	-
235,000		First crack.	
364,000	11,150	Ultimate strength.	

No. 2594.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

J. R. HUHN, HARD BRICK. Hand-made.



Sectional area,

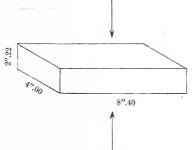
32.8.

Good bearings.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	Remarks.
206,000 382,000	. 11,650	Cracking sound; crack not in sight. Ultimate strength.

No. 2595.

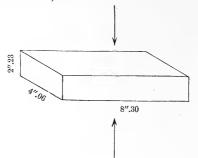
DOTTERER, PRESSED BRICK. Machine.



".006 packing used under one corner.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER ["	Remarks.
85,000		First crack.
304,000	9,050	Ultimate strength.

No. 2596. DOTTERER, PRESSED BRICK. Machine.



Sectional area,

33.70.

Very good bearings.

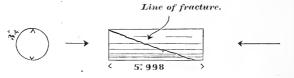
LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER''	Remarks.
160,000 243,000	7,210	First crack. Ultimate strength.

COMPRESSION OF CAST IRON.

Specimens Nos. 2597, 2598, 2599, have the same quantity of cast iron in each, differing in form. Castings dressed only on bearing surfaces.

No. 2597.

FORM OF SPECIMEN, SOLID.



Sectional area, .

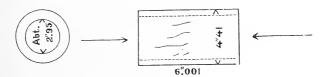
□′′ 8.3.

Remarks.	COMPRES- SION SET.	COMPRES- SION.	LBS. PER []"	LOADS APPLIED.
Loads released to zero and	0		5,000	41,500
compression sets measured	0		10,000	83,000
after each increment of	′′.001		15,000	124,500
5000 lbs. per □''	.002		20,000	166,000
-	.005		25,000	207,500
	.012		30,000	249,000

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	COMPRES- SION.	COMPRES- SION SET.	Remarks.
290,500	35,000		".023	
332,000	40,000		.041	
373,500	45,000		.071	
415,000	50,000		.122	
456,500	55,000		.207	
498,000	60,000		.406	
501,000	60,360			Ultimate strength.

Oblique fracture, making an angle of about 30 degrees with axis of specimen. Sides swelled.

No. 2598. Form of Specimen, Open Cylinder.



Sectional area, about 8.3.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER ''	COMPRES- SION.	COMPRES- SION SET.	Remarks.
41,500	5,000	_	0	,
83,000	10,000		0	
124,500	15,000		′′.001	
166,000	20,000		.002	
207,500	25,000		.004	
249,000	30,000		.007	
290,500	35,000		.011	
332,000	40,000		.020	
373,500	45,000		.034	
415,000	50,000		.058	
456,500	55,000		.090	
498,000	60,000		.136	
539,500	65,000		.217	
566,000	68,190			Ultimate strength.

Sides swelled. Oblique fractures opening at middle on the outside of the specimen.

No. 2599. Form of Specimen, Open Cylinder.



Sectional area, about 8.3.

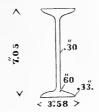
LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	COMPRES- SION.	COMPRESSION SET.	REMARKS.
41,500	5,000		0	
83,000	10,000		0	
124,500	15,000		$^{\prime\prime}.000\frac{1}{2}$	
166,000	20,000		.001	
207,500	25,000	about	$.001\frac{1}{2}$	•
249,000	30,000		.002	
290,500	35,000		$002\frac{1}{2}$	·
332,000	40,000		.003	
373,500	45,000		.006	
415,000	50,000		.010	
456,500	55,000		.015	
498,000	60,000		.025	
539,500	65,000		.035	
581,000	70,000		.052	
622,500	75,000		.074	
657,600	79,230	i		Ultimate strength.

Strains were gradually applied. When the ultimate load was reached the load on the scale of the testing machine fell off about 3000 lbs. Strains were now released, the specimen uncovered and examined; no cracks were in sight. When again loaded the specimen fractured, with a loud report, at about 655,000 lbs. There were twenty-five pieces after fracture.

COMPRESSION OF WROUGHT IRON I BEAMS.

No. 2600.

Length of specimen, 6".004.



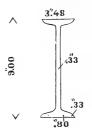
LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER [_''	COMPRES- SION.	COMPRES- SION SET.	Remarks.
26,000	5,000		0	
52,000	10,000		′′.001	
104,000	20,000		.002	
130,000	25,000		.002	
145,000	28,000		.002*	
156,000	30,000		.003	
166,400	32,000		.004	
176,800	34,000		.007	
187,200	36,000		.032	
197,600	38,000		.042	
208,000	40,000		.054	
218,400	42,000		.065	
228,800	44,000		.081	
239,200	46,000	-	.100	
249,600	48,000		.124	Web buckled.
260,000	50,000		.156	
282,000	54,230			Ultimate strength.

Flanges buckled outward. Strains continued till specimen was shortened to 5".40, longitudinal seams opening in web.

WROUGHT IRON I BEAM.

No. 2601.

Length, 6".000.



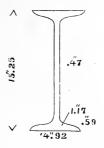
LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	COMPRES- SION.	COMPRES- SION SET.	Remarks.
32,500	5,000		0	
65,000	10,000		0	
130,000	20,000		′′.000*	
162,500	25,000		*000	
182,000	28,000		*000	
195,000	30,000		*000	
208,000	32,000		.001	
221,000	34,000		.002*	
234,000	36,000		.004	
247,000	38,000		.028	•
260,000	40,000		.042	
273,000	42,000		.053	
286,000	44,000		.067	
325,000	50,000		143	Web buckled.
353,000	54,310			Ultimate strength.

Failed in the same manner as No. 2600.

WROUGHT IRON I BEAM.

No. 2602.

Length, 6".002.



Sectional area,

 $\Box^{\prime\prime}$ 15.

LOADS APPLIED.	LBS. PER []"	COMPRES- SION.	COMPRES- SION SET.	Remarks.
75,000	5,000		0	
150,000	10,000		0	
300,000	20,000		0*	
375,000	25,000		0*	
420,000	28,000		0*	
450,000	30,000		0*	
480,000	32,000		0*	
510,000	34,000		′′.005	
540,000	36,000		.022	
570,000	38,000		.033	
600,000	40,000		.048	
630,000	42,000		.060	
660,000	44,000		.079	Web buckled.
750,000	50,000		.30	
800,000	53,330		.67	Gradual yielding under this load.

Opened longitudinal cracks in web, buckled web and flanges.

T. T. J. LAIDLEY,

Colonel of Ordnance, Commanding.

MARBLE.

Page.	Locality.	Color.	Direction of Pressure.	Total load applied.	Crushing force on a square inch, in lbs. avoirdupois.	Sectional area, in square inches.	REMARKS.	Register number of experiment.
3 4 10 11 11 12 4 5 12 13 13 14	Lee, Mass., do.	Blue, White, W. & B. White, Blue, Blue, Blue, Blue, Blue, Blue, Blue,	End, Bed, End, Bed, Bed, Bed, Eud, Eud, Eud, Eud, Eud,	715,000 800,000 800,000 800,000 800,000 767,090 466,300 400,000 543,000 398,000 347,500 434,000	$\begin{array}{c} 20,504 \\ 22,370 \\ 22,860 \\ 22,820 \\ 22,900 \\ 21,700 \\ 11,470 \\ 10,420 \\ 13,700 \\ 10,120 \\ 9,590 \\ 10,940 \end{array}$	34.87 35.16 34.99 35.05 34.93 35.34 40.64 39.63 39.33 36.24 39.67	Burst into fragments, Slight flaking on one face, Without apparent injury, do. Glaked off along one edge, Crushed suddenly, Failed suddenly, do. Ultimate strength, do.	2550 2550 2560 2560 2561 2561 2554 2560 2570 2571 2571
-				LIME	STO	ΝE		
6 7 15 16 16 16	Conshohocken, Pa., do. Indiana, do. do. do.		End, Bed, End, End, Bed, Bed,	494,000 566,000 377,000 320,500 321,000 438,300	14,090 16,340 8,530 7,190 7,776 10,620	35,05 34,63 44,22 44,56 41,38 41,28		2557 2558 2576 2576 2577 2578
		DO	VE-C	OLO	RED	M.	ARBLE.	
17 18	Vermont,		Bed, End,	531,200 379,800	13,400 9,870	39.65 38.48	Ultimate strength, do. do.	2579 2580
			5	SANI	STO	ΝE		
5 6 9 10 14 15 18 19 20 20 21	Hummelstown, Pa., do. Ohio, do.	Buff, Buff, Buff, Blue, Blue, Blue, Blue, Blue, Blue,	Bed, End, Bed, End, End, End, Bed, End, Bed, End, Bed,	528,700 570,300 256,000 199,500 289,500 160,000 435,400 391,800 351,000 672,100 493,500	12,810 13,610 6,510 4,860 7,020 3,940 7,680 10,400 9,795 8,710 16,280 12,420	41.28 41.92 39.32 41.02 41.25 40.06 39.69 41.90 40.00 40.30 41.28 39.74	Ultimate strength, do. do. do. do. do. do. do. do. Bearings imperfect, Ultimate strength, do. do. do. do. Factured suddenly with loud report, Ultimate strength, Ultimate strength, Ultimate strength, Ultimate strength, Ultimate strength,	2555 2556 2563 2564 2573 2574 2581 2582 2583 2584 2585 2586

BRICK.

Page. *	Manufacturer.	Quality.	Make.	Total load applied.	Crushing force, in pounds per square inch.	Area of sample in inches.	Remarks.	Number of experiment.
7 21 22 8 22	Dobbins, do. do. Excelsior, do.	Hard, do. do. do. do.	Machine, do. do. do. do.	288,500 411,000 304,000 261,000 180,200	8,610 11,720 9,210 8,310 5,540	33.50 35.07 33.00 31.39 32.53	Failure gradually took place, Failed rapidly near close of test, Ultimate strength, Failed by breaking up, Ultimate strength,	2559 2587 2588 2560 2589
23 8 23 24 24	do. J. R. Huhu, do. do. do.	do. do. do. do.	do. Hand, do. do. do.	188,100 591,000 346,400 654,000 364,000	5,790 18,690 10,970 20,830 11,150	32,51 31,63 31,57 31,4 32,64	do. Grailed suddenly at very end of test, Ultimate strength, do. do. do. do.	2590 2561 2591 2592 2593
25 9 25 26	do. Dotterer, do. do.	do. Pressed, do. do.	do.	382,000 256,500 304,000 243,000	11,650 7,770 9,050 7,210	32.8 -33.03 33.6 33.70	do. do. do. do. do. do. do. do.	$\begin{array}{c} 2594 \\ 2562 \\ 2595 \\ 2596 \end{array}$

CAST IRON.

Page.	Form of speci- men.	Diameter.	Length.	Total load applied,	Crushing force, in pounds per square inch.	Area of sample in inches.	Remarks.	Number of ex- periment,	
26	Solid cylinder,	3"	5″,998	501,000	60,360	8.3	Oblique fracture. Sides swelled,	2597	
(27	Open cylinder,	4".41	6″.001	566,000	68,190	8.3	Sides swelled,	2598	
28	do. do.	8".78	5″.998	657,600	79,230	8.3	Fractured into twenty-five pieces,	2599	

WROUGHT IRON.

Form of speci- men,	Height.	Length.	Total load applied.	Crushing force, in pounds per square inch.	Area of sample in inches.	Remarks.	Number of experiment,
Rolled I beam,	7".05	6".004	282,000	54,230	5.2	Flanges buckled outwards,	2600
do.	9".00	6".000	353,000	54,310	6.5	do. do.	2601
do.	15".25	6".002	800,000	53,330	15.	Web and flanges buckled,	2602

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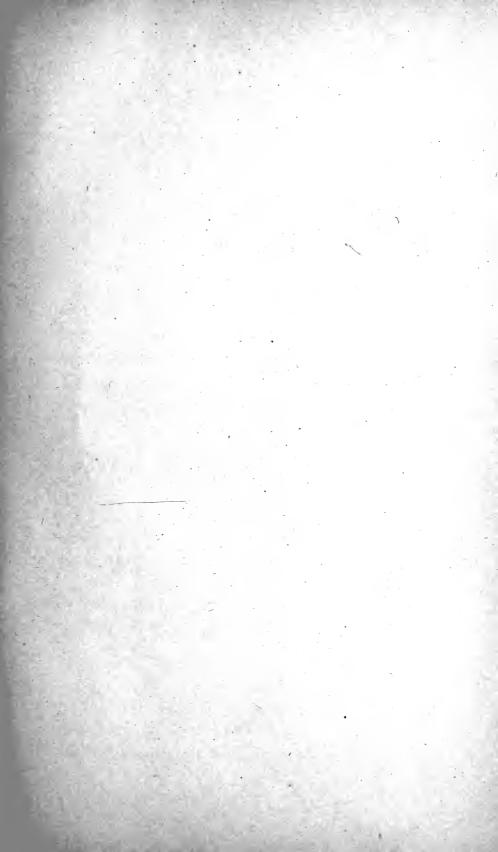
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MECHANICAL TESTS

MADE WITH THE

U. S. TESTING MACHINE,

(CAPACITY, 800,000 POUNDS,)

AT

WATERTOWN ARSENAL, MASS.,

NOVEMBER 5, 1883,

BY THE

U. S. ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT,

AT THE REQUEST OF THE



IN THE

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TESTS BY COMPRESSION,

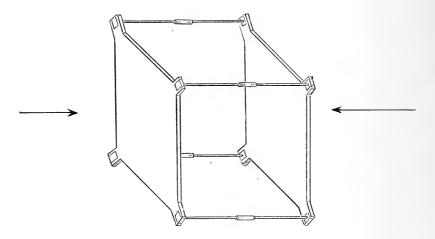
TWELVE BRICK PIERS.



The Piers were tested between flat compression platforms.

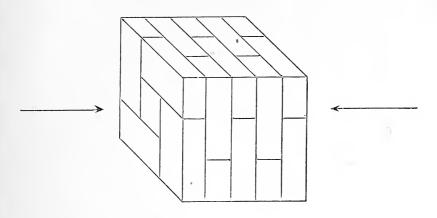
The covering plates of cast iron at the ends of the piers were allowed to remain in position, removing the tie-bolts during the tests.

The compression measurements and sets were determined by a micrometer, secured at either end to the compression platforms of the Testing Machine; thus indicating the total amount of compression which occurred as each increment of load was applied to the piers. Upon the removal of the loads to the initial 5000 lbs., the amount of permanent set was found.



Plates of Cast Iron, enclosing brick piers, planed true on both sides, and made perfectly parallel by means of the swivel tie-bolts.

STYLE OF PIERS.



MARKS ON PIER.

No. 3255.

A. 1. Dobbins, Lime. August 14, 1882.

Length, 12".75. \Box "
Sectional area, 12".75 × 13".00 = 165.75. Weight, 147 lbs.

APPLIED	Loads.	In Gauged	LENGTH.		
Total lbs.	Lbs. per []"	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	Remarks.	
5,000		0			
10,000		.0030			
15,000		.0065			
20,000		.0092			
25,000		.0120			
30,000		.0141			
35,000		.0160			
40,000		.0180			
45,000		.0200	The second secon		
50,000		.0220	Buddenthing or		
5,000			.0130		
50,000		.0230			
60,000		.0260			

APPLIED	Loads.	In Gauged	LENGTH.	
Total lbs.	Lbs. per []"	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	REMARKS.
70,000		.0290		
80,000		.0325		
90,000		.0375		Snapping sounds at 85,000
100,000		.0410		lbs. pressure.
5,000	-		.0245	
100,000		.0430		
110,000		.0460	0	Longitudinal cracks in 2d
120,000		.0500		and 4th courses, opposite
130,000		.0520		joints in adjacent courses.
140,000		.0558		
150,000		.0610		
5,000			.0360	
150,000		.0635		
160,000		.0665		
170,000		.0700		
180,000		.0745		
190,000		.0800		1
200,000		.0850		
5,000			.0520	
200,000		.0910		
210,000		.0945		
220,000		.1000		
230,000		.1160		
231,000				Rapid disintegration going on.
231,000				Sustained this load about five minutes, slow crushing taking place in the meantime.
239,000	1,442			Ultimate strength.
230,000				Load on pier when test was discontinued.

Pier generally disintegrated.

Correct.

J. E. HOWARD.

MARKS ON PIER.

No. 3256.

A. 2. Dobbins, Lime. August 14, 1882.

Length, 12".75.

Sectional area, $12''.75 \times 12''.75 = 162.56$.

Weight, 145 lbs.

	LENGTH.	In Gauged	Loads.	APPLIED
REMARKS.	Set, inches.	Compression, inches.	Lbs. per []"	Total lbs.
		0		5,000
		.0025		10,000
•		.0055		15,000
		.0075		20,000
		.0096		25,000
		.0110		30,000
		.0130		35,000
		.0150		40,000
		.0165		45,000
		.0180		50,000
	.0100			5,000
		.0210		60,000
		.0240		70,000
		.0265		80,000
		.0292		90,000
		.0330		100,000
	.0180			5,000
		.0340		100,000
		.0360		110,000
		.0390		120,000
		.0420		130,000
napping sounds. Sligh		.0460		140,000
crack opened in 4th cours		.0492		150,000
of bricks.	.0280			5,000
		.0520		150,000
		.0540		160,000
•		.0570		170,000
	1	.0610		180,000

APPLIEI	Applied Loads. In Gau		LENGTH.	
Total lbs.	Lbs.	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	REMARKS.
190,000		.0650		
200,000		.0685		
5,000			.0405	·
200,000		.0740		
210,000	-	.0770		
220,000		.0820		
230,000		.0890		
240,000		.1040		
250,000		.1200		
259,100	1,594			Ultimate strength.
240,000				Load on pier when test was discontinued.

After the first cracks appeared, there was a gradual development of longitudinal seams as the pressure was increased, till the maximum load was reached.

Correct.

J. E. HOWARD.

No. 3257.

MARKS ON PIER.

B. 1. Dobbins, Cement. August 14, 1882.

Length, 12".75. \square'' Sectional area, 13".00 \times 13".00 = 169.00. Weight, 148 lbs.

APPLIED	LOADS.	In Gauged	LENGTH.	
Total lbs.	Lbs. per []"	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	REMARKS.
5,000		0		The state of the s
10,000		.0025		
15,000		.0050		
20,000		.0075		

	LENGTH.	In Gauged	LOADS.	APPLIED
Remarks.	Set, inches.	Compression, inches.	Lbs. per □''	Total lbs.
		.0100		25,000
		.0115		30,000
		.0130		35,000
``		.0150		40,000
		.0162		45,000
		.0180		50,000
	.0090			5,000
		.0185		50,000
		.0210		60,000
		.0230		70,000
		.0260		80,000
		.0285		90,000
		.0310		100,000
	.0150			5,000
		.0322		100,000
	1	.0345		110,000
		.0370		120,000
		.0390		130,000
		.0410		140,000
First cracking sound.				142,000
		.0450		150,000
	.0240			5,000
		.0480		150,000
		.0500		160,000
		.0520 .		170,000
Cracks in sight in middle		.0540		180,000
course.		.0570		190,000
		.0610		200,000
	.0320			5,000
		.0642		200,000
		.0670		210,000
		.0695		220,000
		.0720		230,000
		.0755		240,000
		.0810		250,000
		.0853		260,000

APPLIED	PLIED LOADS. IN GAUGED LENGTH.			
Total lbs.	Lbs. per □''	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	Remarks.
270,000		.0900		
280,000		.0925		
290,000		.0970		
300,000		.1020		
310,000	-	.1104		
356,900	2,112			Ultimate strength.
340,000				Load on pier when test was discontinued.

J. E. HOWARD.

No. 3258.

MARKS ON PIER.

B. 2. Dobbins, Cement. August 14, 1882.

Length, 12".65.

Sectional area, $12''.75 \times 12''.75 = 162.56$.

Weight, 144 lbs.

APPLIED LOADS.		In Gauged Length.		-
Total lbs.	Lbs. per []''	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	Remarks.
5,000		0		
10,000		.0030		
15,000		.0060		
20,000		.0078		
25,000		.0090		
30,000		.0110		
35,000		.0120		
40,000		.0130		
45,000		.0140		
50,000		.0150		

APPLIED	LOADS.	In Gauged	LENGTH.	
Total lbs.	Lbs.	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	Remarks.
5,000			.0075	
60,000		.0170		
70,000		.0182		
80,000		.0200		
90,000		.0210		
100,000		.0230		
5,000			.0100	
100,000		.0240		
110,000		.0250		
120,000		.0260		
130,000		.0275		
140,000		.0290		
150,000		.0302		
5,000			.0120	
150,000		.0315		
160,000		.0325		
170,000		.0338		
180,000		.0350		
190,000		.0365		
200,000		.0380		
5,000			.0145	
200,000		.0390		
210,000		.0400		
220,000		.0410		•
230,000		.0430		
240,000		.0435		
250,000		.0450		
260,000		.0465		
270,000		.0480		
280,000		.0500		
290,000		.0510		
300,000		.0530		Cracking sounds. Opened
310,000		.0560		cracks in three inside
320,000		.0580		·courses, flaking at end
330,000		.0600		course.
340,000		.0620		

APPLIED	APPLIED LOADS.		LENGTH.	
Total lbs.	Lbs. per []''	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	Remarks.
350,000		.0640		
360,000		.0680		
370,000		.0695		
380,000		.0730		
390,000	-	.0820		,
400,000		.0855		
410,000		.0900		
420,000	2,584	.1000		Ultimate strength.

J. E. HOWARD.

No. 3259.

MARKS ON PIER.

No. 3. Huhn, Lime. August 14, 1882.

Length, 12".90. \square Sectional area, 12".50 \times 12".50 = 156.25.

Weight, 138 lbs.

APPLIED	APPLIED LOADS.		LENGTH.	
Total lbs.	Lbs. per []"	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	REMARKS.
5,000		0		
10,000		.0030		
15,000		.0065		
20,000		.0090		
25,000		.0110		
30,000		.0130		
35,000		.0155		
40,000		.0170		
45,000		.0190		
50,000		.0210		

	LENGTH.	In Gauged	Loads.	APPLIED
Remarks.	Set, inches.	Compression, inches.	Lbs. per □''	Total lbs.
	.0110			5,000
		.0220		50,000
		.0250		60,000
		.0290		70,000
Snapping sounds. No crack				78,000
in sight.		.0335		80,000
<u> </u>		.0370		90,000
		.0410		100,000
	.0230			5,000
		.0430		100,000
		.0465		110,000
		.0530		120,000
		.0565		130,000
		.0615		140,000
		.0660		150,000
	.0390			5,000
		.0695		150,000
Gradual development of lon		.0735		160,000
gitudinal cracks,		.0785		170,000
		.0845		180,000
		.0890		190,000
		.0940		200,000
	.0590			5,000
		.1025		200,000
		.1055		210,000
		.1100		220,000
		.1170		230,000
		.1220		240,000
		.1310		250,000
		.1390		260,000
		.1460		270,000
		.1550		280,000
		.1690		290,000
Ultimate strength.		.18	1,914	299,000

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No. 3260.

MARKS ON PIER.

No. 4. Huhn, Cement. August 14, 1882.

Length, 12".82.

Sectional area, $12''.50 \times 12''.75 = 159.38$.

Weight, 140 lbs.

	-			/ A SERVICE AND
APPLIED	Loads.	In Gauged	LENGTH.	
Total lbs.	Lbs. per []"	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	Remarks.
5,000		0	•	
10,000		.0025		
15,000		.0050		
20,000		.0065		
25,000		.0080		
30,000		.0095		
35,000		.0110	1	
40,000		.0120	APPLICATION AND APPLICATION APPLICATION AND APPLICATION AP	
45,000		.0135	and the second	
50,000		.0150	To get a constant of the const	
5,000			.0070	
50,000		.0150		
60,000		.0170		
70,000		.0185		•
80,000		.0200		
90,000		.0220		
100,000	migration of the state of the s	.0240		
5,000			.0100	
100,000		.0240		
110,000		.0255		
120,000		.0270		
130,000		.0290		
140,000		.0300		
150,000		.0315		
5,000			.0130	
150,000		.0325		
160,000		.0338		

Compression, inches. .0351
.0364 .0380 .0395 .0160 .0410 .0420 .0435 .0450 .0470 .0480
.0380 .0395 .0160 .0410 .0420 .0435 .0450 .0470 .0480
.0395 .0160 .0410 .0420 .0435 .0450 .0470 .0480 .0190
.0410 .0420 .0435 .0450 .0470 .0480
.0410 .0420 .0435 .0450 .0470 .0480
.0420 .0435 .0450 .0470 .0480 .0500
.0435 .0450 .0470 .0480 .0500
.0450 .0470 .0480 .0500
.0450 .0470 .0480 .0500
.0470 .0480 .0190 .0500
.0500
.0500
.0515
.0525
.0540
.0560
.0580
.0605
.0620 Cracking sounds. Crack
.0640 appear in middle and out
.0670 side courses.
.0690
.0720
.0755
.0800
.0850
.0890
.0925
.0965
Ultimate strength.
Load sustained when test wa

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No. 3261.

MARKS ON PIER.

No. 5. Dotterer, Pressed, Cement. August 14, 1882.

Length, 13".20. \Box "
Sectional area, 12".50 \times 12".50 = 156.25. Weight, 138 lbs.

APPLIED	LOADS.	In Gaugei	LENGTH.	
Total lbs.	Lbs.	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	Remarks.
5,000		0		ŧ i
10,000		.0040		
15,000		.0075		
20,000		.0100		
25,000		.0120		
30,000		.0140		
35,000		.0160		·
40,000		.0175		
45,000		.0190		
50,000		.0210		
5,000			.0080	
50,000		.0210		
60,000		.0240		
70,000		.0260		
80,000		.0285		•
90,000		.0310		
100,000		.0330		
5,000			.0130	
100,000		.0340		
110,000		.0360		
120,000		.0380		
130,000		.0400		
140,000		.0420		
150,000		.0440		Second and fourth courses
5,000			.0175	cracked opposite joints of
150,000		.0460		adjacent courses.
160,000		.0480		
170,000		.0500		

APPLIED LOADS.		In Gauged	LENGTH.		
Total lbs.	Lbs.	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	Remarks.	
180,000	44 47	.0520	and a delicement of the contraction		
190,000		.0545			
200,000		.0570			
5,000		1	.0220		
200,000		.0585			
210,000		.0600			
220,000		.0625			
230,000		.0660			
240,000		.0700			
250,000	1,600	.0770		Ultimate strength.	
230,000		1.		Load sustained when test	
				was discontinued.	

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No. 3262.

MARKS ON PIER.

No. 6. Dotterer, Pressed, Lime. August 14, 1882.

Length, 12".95.

Sectional area, $12''.50 \times 12''.50 = 156.25$.

Weight, 133 lbs.

	LENGTH.	In Gauged	APPLIED LOADS. IN G	
Remarks.	Set, inches.	Compression, inches.	Lbs. per □''	Total lbs.
		0		5,000
		.0025		10,000
		.0050		15,000
		.0070		20,000
		0085		25,000

APPLIED	LOADS.	In Gauged	LENGTH.	
Total lbs.	Lbs.	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	Remarks.
30,000		.0105		
35,000		.0120		
40,000		.0135		
45,000		.0150		
50,000	-	.0165		
5,000			.0070	
50,000		.0170		
60,000		.0200		
70,000		.0230		
80,000		.0255		
90,000		.0290		
100,000		.0320		
5,000			.0125	
100,000		.0332		
110,000		.0360	**	
120,000		.0400		Cracks started in 3d and 4th
130,000		.0450		courses.
140,000		.0500		
150,000		.0590		
160,000		.0640		
170,000	A. C.	.0700		
180,000		.0800		
182,400	1,167			Ultimate strength.
175,000				Load sustained when test
		To the same of the		was discontinued.

J. E. HOWARD.

No. 3263.

MARKS ON PIER.

D. 7. Excelsior, Cement. August 14, 1882.

Length, 12".60.

Sectional area, $12''.75 \times 12''.75 = 162.56$.

Weight, 135 lbs.

APPLIED	LOADS.	LENGTH.		
Total lbs.	Lbs. per []"	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	REMARKS.
5,000		0		
10,000		.0035		
15,000		.0060		
20,000		.0075		
25,000		.0090		
30,000		.0105		
35,000		.0120		
40,000		.0130		
45,000		.0145		
50,000		.0160		
5,000			.0075	
50,000		= .0165		
60,000		.0180		
70,000		.0200		
80,000		.0225		•
90,000		.0245		
100,000		.0275		
5,000			.0130	
100,000		.0280		
110,000		.0300		
120,000		.0315		
130,000		.0340		
140,000		.0360		
150,000		.0410		
160,000		.0425		
170,000		.0455		
180,000		.0480		
190,000		.0520	,	

APPLIED LOADS.		In Gauged Length.				
Total lbs.	Lbs. per []"	Compression, Set, inches.		REMARKS.		
200,000		.0555				
5,000			.0285			
200,000		.0590				
210,000	_	.0630				
220,000		.0645				
230,000		.0690				
240,000		.0730		Cracks in sight in middle		
250,000		.0800		course.		
260,000		.0880				
268,900	1,654	.0980		Ultimate strength.		

J. E. HOWARD.

No. 3264.

MARKS ON PIER.

D. 8. Excelsior, Cement. August 14, 1882.

Length, $12^{\prime\prime}.65$.
Sectional area, $12^{\prime\prime}.75 \times 12^{\prime\prime}.75 = 159.38$.
Weight, 133 lbs.

APPLIED	APPLIED LOADS.		LENGTH.				
Total lbs.	Lbs. per []''	~		Remarks.			
5,000		0 .					
10,000		.0020					
15,000		.0040					
20,000		.0060					
25,000		.0075					
30,000		.0090					
35,000		.0105					
40,000		.0120					

APPLIED LOADS.		IN GAUGED	LENGTH.	
Total lbs.			Set, inches.	REMARKS.
45,000		.0130		
50,000		.0140		
5,000			.0055	
50,000		.0150		
60,000		.0170		
70,000		.0190		
80,000		.0210		
90,000		.0235		
100,000		.0260		Snapping sounds. No cracks
5,000			.0110	in sight.
100,000		.0280		
110,000		.0290		
120,000		.0315		
130,000		.0335		
140,000		.0365		1
150,000		.0390		
5,000			.0165	
150,000		.0405		
160,000		.0425		
170,000		.0450		
180,000		.0480		
190,000		.0525		
200,000		.0545		
5,000			.0250	
200,000		.0580		
210,000		.0600		
220,000		.0630		Cracks in 2d course.
230,000		.0680		
240,000		.0710		
250,000		.0770		
260,000		.0855		
266,500	1,672	.0950		Ultimate strength.
235,000	4			Load sustained when test was discontinued.
			Correc	at .

J. E. HOWARD.

No. 3265.

MARKS ON PIER.

E. 9. Excelsior, Lime. August 14, 1882.

Length, 12".40. $\square"$ Sectional area, 12".60 × 12".60 = 158.76.

Weight, 128 lbs.

APPLIED	LOADS.	In GAUGED	LENGTH.	
Total lbs.	Lbs. per ∐''	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	Remarks.
5,000		0		
10,000		.0050		
15,000		.0090		
20,000		.0120		
25,000		.0145		
30,000		.0165		
35,000		.0190		
40,000		.0205		
45,000		.0225		
50,000	,	.0240		
5,000			.0130	
50,000		.0250		
60,000		.0280		
70,000		.0310		
80,000		.0340		
90,000		.0370	(
100,000		.0400		
5,000			.0205	
100,000		.0420		
110,000		.0440-		
120,000		.0470		
130,000		.0500	i	
140,000		.0550		
150,000		.0580		
5,000			.0310	
150,000		.0620		

APPLIED LOADS. IN GAUGED LENGTH.							
Total lbs.	Lbs.	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.				
160,000 170,000		.0660 .0730		Cracks in sight in four courses.			
178,800 150,000	1,126	.0930		Ultimate strength. Load sustained when test			
150,000				was discontinued.			

J. E. HOWARD.

No. 3266.

MARKS ON PIER.

E. 10. Excelsior, Lime. August 14, 1882.

Length, 12".60.

Sectional area, $12''.50 \times 12''.50 = 156.25$.

Weight, 128 lbs.

APPLIED LOADS.		In GAUGED	LENGTH.			
Total lbs.	Lbs. per \(\sum'' \)	Compression, inches.	Set, inches.	REMARKS.		
5,000		0				
10,000		.0040				
15,000		.0085				
20,000		.0120				
25,000		.0150				
30,000		.0170				
35,000		.0205				
40,000		.0230				
45,000		.0260				
50,000		.0280				
5,000			.0165			
50,000		.0300				

	In Gauged Length.		APPLIED LOADS.		
Remarks.		Set, inches.	Compression, inches.	Lbs. per □''	Total lbs.
rse. atte strength.		.0340	.0335 .0385 .0440 .0500 .0570 .0625 .0685 .0810 .0900	799	60,000 70,000 80,000 90,000 100,000 5,000 110,000 120,000 124,900
sustained when test					110,000

NOTE.

Upon examination, it was found that the mortar in most of the piers did not cover the ends completely, so that the covering plates only took bearing over part of the surface. In such cases, plaster of paris was used to fill the spaces and give even bearings; allowing the plaster to set at least twenty-four hours before testing.

Correct.

J. E. HOWARD.

F. H. PARKER,

Major of Ordnance Commanding.

GENERAL ABSTRACT.

Official No. of Test.	Maker of Bricks.	Mortar,	Area in square inches.	Snapping sounds.	Per square inch.	Cracked.	Per square inch.	Ultimate strength.	Per square inch.
3255	Dobbins,	Lime,	165.75	85,000	512	110,000	663	239,000	1442
3256	"	"	162.56	150,000	922	150,000	922	259,100	1594
3257	"	Cement,	169.00	142,000	840	180,000	1065	356,900	2112
3258	"	"	162,56	300,000	1845	300,000	1845	420,000	2584
3259	Huhn,	Lime,	156.25	78,000	499	160,000	1024	299,000	1914
3260	46	Cement,	159.38	320,000	2070	320,000	2070	428,000	2685
3261	Dotterer,	Cement,	156.25			150,000	960	250,000	1600
3262	"	Lime,	156.25			120,000	768	182,400	1167
3263	Excelsior,	Cement,	162.56			240,000	1476	268,900	1654
3264	66	"	159.38	100,000	627	220,000	1380	266,500	1672
3265	"	Lime,	158.76			160,000	1070	178,800	1126
3266	**	"	156.25			100,000	640	124,900	799

ABSTRACT OF AVERAGE STRENGTHS.

In Lime mortar. First crack, 864.23 lbs. square inch, or 62.226 tons square foot.

" Cement " " 1567.56 " " " 112.864 " " "

In Lime mortar. Ultimate strength, 1375 lbs. square inch, or 99 tons square foot.

" Cement " " 2141.4 " " " 154.18 " " "

John McArthur, Jr.,

Architect.

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